

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 260.

Increase of scholarships for the B. A. Honours Course.

Messrs. Krishna Sastri, Yalakki Gowda and Soma Setti, Krishnarajpete taluk.

Summary of discussion.—On a representation being made for establishing the B. A. Honours Course in our colleges, Government were pleased to sanction four scholarships to students desiring to study for that course outside the State. As the number of scholarships is few, it is prayed that two scholarships may be sanctioned for each optional subject.

Reply of Government.—The number of scholarships for the Honours Course can be increased by two, so that there may be one for each branch.

SUBJECT No. 261.

Technical scholarships for the study of manufactures.

Mr. M. Venkatakrishniah, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Technical scholarships to encourage students to study useful manufactures at the manufacturing centres in Europe, America, Japan, etc., may be instituted.

Reply of Government.—Noted. The report of the Industrial Committee of the Economic Conference may be awaited. The Damodar Dass Scholarships serve the purpose to some extent.

SUBJECT No. 262.

Half-freeships to backward classes of students.

Mr. Mahalinganna, Hassan taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Concessions, such as free-ships and half-freeships, now shown to Mahomedan students may also be shown to other students of the backward classes.

Reply of Government.—The subject of the spread of education among the backward classes is one of the subjects before the Economic Conference.

SUBJECT No. 263.

Collection of school fees in plague-infected places.

Mr. Gundappa, Kunigal taluk.

Summary of discussion.—School fees should not be collected in Anglo-Vernacular schools for the period during which the schools are closed on account of an outbreak of plague.

Reply of Government.—This cannot be done.

SUBJECT No. 264.

Conversion of Hindustani schools into Anglo-Hindustani schools.

Mr. B. Abdul Rahimn Sahab, Mysore Central Mahomedan Association.

Summary of discussion.—In view of the disadvantage which the Mahomedan residents of the marginally noted places are put to for want of facilities to impart English education to their children, it is requested that the existing Urdu Middle schools in those places may be converted into Anglo-Hindustani schools. This matter has been repeatedly urged from 1907 to 1910 (*vide* Subjects' Nos. 160, 191, 230 and 250 of 1907, 1908, 1909, and 1910, respectively) and noted by Government from time to time for consideration. Yet no orders have been passed to meet this pressing want. As English education is of paramount importance for the betterment of the condition of the community, it is respectfully prayed that the Government may be pleased to grant their request early.

Hassan, Chikmagalur, Shimoga, Sira, Doddballapur, Chikballapur, Mulbagal, Closepet, Chamrajnagar, Nelamangala, Kunigal, Maddagiri and Tarikere.